

**Caught a Horse Thief.**

For some time past there have been strange Mexicans coming into town at intervals and Deputy Sheriff Baca suspected that they were horse thieves from Mexico.

Last Monday morning two suspicious Mexicans were spotted in Chihuahua and Deputy Baca and Wes Welty who had just been appointed a deputy by Sheriff Laird resolved to take them in. Baca had had some conversation with the men and it is quite probable that their suspicions had been aroused for when Welty appeared one of the men, a big swarthy Mexican, made an attempt to pull a revolver but Welty was too quick for him and had him covered with a six shooter in short order when the fellow was persuaded to surrender. The other Mexican was unarmed and lost no time in getting on his horse when he disappeared over the hill in the direction of the cemetery in a cloud of dust. Baca started in pursuit as soon as he could get his horse but the Mexican, who had about twenty minutes the start, made his escape and is probably safely in Mexico by this time.

The Mexican who was captured had a fine black mare with him at the time of his arrest and Deputy Welty found another horse Monday afternoon near the cottonwoods where it had been hobbled.

These men are supposed to be horse thieves from Mexico, which they undoubtedly are, but it may be difficult to make a case out against the man who has been arrested. He is not communicative and it is possible that sufficient evidence cannot be obtained against him to warrant his detention.

The other evening Dr. Williams drove over to Fort Bayard. Having arrived safely at his destination and having a little time to spare, he hitched his horse and hid himself away. Some time during the night the horse concluded to go home and let the doctor get back the best way he could. Eventually the doctor discovered that his horse was gone and in an instant all thoughts of powders, pills, plasters, bandages, saws, splints and scalpels were scattered to the winds and visions of wrecked buggies and broken harness took their place. The doctor thoughtfully contemplated his calves and finally concluded that they were equal to the emergency of bearing him safely home. He is not averse to a moonlight walk but it would have suited him better if it had not been quite so long and he had not been alone. After having walked about seven miles he heard the neigh of a horse and soon after found horse and buggy all right. He drove the rest of the way into town and is keeping mighty quiet about the adventure.

Mrs. Geo. Norton has started a class in shorthand and typewriting.

**Black Mountain Camp.**

George Regli, who was here a few days ago from the Black mountain camp in Dona Ana county, talked very encouragingly about the prospects of that camp. Considerable work has been done there but the Sunol people have the only mill in the camp. Their mill has ten stamps and they are down over 500 feet in the mine. Mr. Regli is interested in several claims on the Bonanza lead and they are in about 100 feet with a tunnel. Dodd, Fergusson and Hensley are interested with him in these claims. They have been at work several months but have shipped no ore and have had none treated, but expect to have a plant there soon to treat their ore.

They have a strong vein which runs from \$15 to \$20 a ton in gold. The ore will leave them a good profit after paying all expenses of mining and treating.

The camp is about thirty miles from the railroad but there is talk of building a road from El Paso to the camp, and if this is done it will become one of the most active gold camps in New Mexico. Plenty of water can be had for milling purposes and there is wood enough in the vicinity for fuel.

George W. Miles, the democratic nominee for the council from Grant and Dona Ana counties, was at Santa Fe at the big democratic meeting last week. He is hustling around looking after his own fences which appear to be in pretty good repair, and putting in work here and there for the rest of the democratic candidates. He is a hustler and will carry both counties by a good majority.

J. DeVanne, a butcher from Winfield, Kas., has entered the employ of R. H. Speed.

A man employed by Laizure & Grabe on their brick yard made a big gold strike the other day and soon had a number of would be bonanza kings interested. The stuff glistens like gold but it was nothing more nor less than some of the tailings from the mills above town which are largely composed of pyrites.

Judge Boone, who was nominated by the democrats of the county for the legislature, is expected to speak at Pinos Altos tonight. Judge Boone is a fluent talker and will make votes wherever he goes.

L. J. Smith and C. E. Windridge have removed from their quarters on Yankie street to Broadway opposite the Broadway hotel.

Mrs. Mattie Irwin gave a party at her residence on Bullard street last Thursday evening.

Work on the new normal school building is progressing very satisfactorily.

The Silver Social club will give a ball next Friday evening.

Sheriff Laird was one of the delegates from this county to the republican territorial convention last week.

Judge Bail was in attendance at the Socorro convention last week.

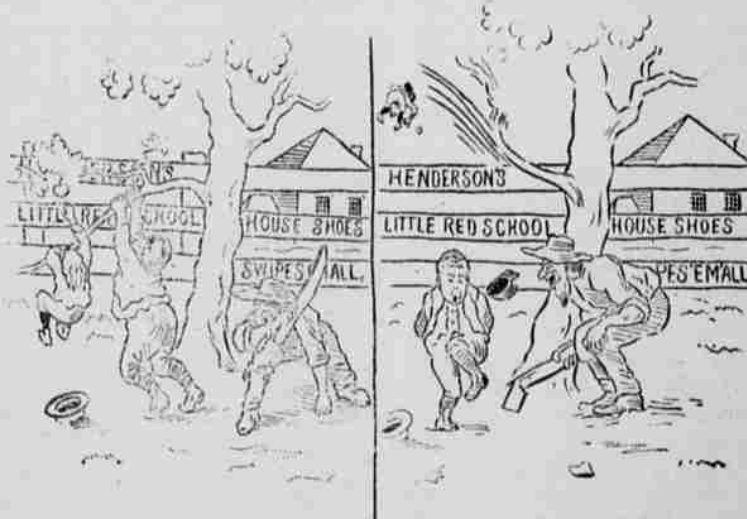
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